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ARNOLD SCHWARZENEGGER, Governor



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Dear Hunter Education Instructor,

It is that time of year again. I hope you all are looking forward to attending this year's main conference held at the Kingsburg Gun Club on March 20th and 21st. The main training day is Saturday the 21st. The 20th is an optional fun day in which we will look to have some fun and camaraderie with staff and fellow instructors.

I understand that economic times are hard and that the main conference date and location might not be easy for you to attend. Please be aware that I do have dates and locations for satellite conferences as follows:

March 20 and 21- Kingsburg Gun Club (Main Conference)

June 6- Motherlode Gun Club, Jamestown, Tuolumne Co.

June 13- Atwater, Merced Co.

June 27- Bishop, Inyo Co.

Please RSVP with Sarah Brar at sbrar@dfg.ca.gov or 916-653-1093.

March 20th (Voluntary)

The evening before the Central District Conference we will meet at the Kingsburg Gun Club. I would like to start at 4:00 pm and end by 8:30 pm. We will have a trap range, a rifle range (for black powder) and archery range set up for use. We will have this set up as a carnival so you can have a fun time participating in these events. Prizes will be awarded and will not solely be based on abilities.

Along with the carnival activities, we would like to have a potluck/game feed. If you have any game or other meat you wish to share from this last season, please bring it to throw on the grill. To supplement our hopelessly endless supply of meat, I hope I can encourage you to participate in our chili contest. (Rules attached-I know the gas we might carry into Saturday may cause problems, but your participation will be made worth it) If you are not participating in the contest, I ask for you to bring a side dish or dessert.

Things to bring for Friday evening:

- Eye Protection
- Hearing Protection
- Shotgun
- Shells (Some may be provided)
- Vest or Shell Belt
- Appropriate Clothing (It may be rainy and/or cold)
- Chili Contest Entry or Side Dish/Dessert
- Your "Lets have fun" attitude

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March 21st Training Day

Registration starts at 8:00 am

Training agenda starts at 9:00

We will aim to end at 3:30-4:30

Kingsburg Gun Club (<http://www.kingsburggunclub.org/>)

2246 Gilbert Dr.

Kingsburg, CA 93631

Directions

On Freeway 99 just south of Kingsburg take the Ave. 384 exit. Go east at the off ramp stop sign then at the next stop sign turn right. The first left turn will be Road 28, turn left. On Road 28 the first street you come to will be Ave. 388 and turn left again. A short distance on Ave 388 the you will see Road 24, turn right and this will take you to Kingsburg Gun Club. There are gun club signs at all corners.

Lodging

Unfortunately the area has limited lodging choices and qualities (according to some reviews).

Here are some suggestions:

Quality Inn

401 Sierra St.

Kingsburg

559-897-1022

Best Value Inn (Closest & Cheapest)

38406 Highway 99 # 384

Kingsburg, CA 93631

(559) 897-4176

Feel free to Google "Lodging Kingsburg" or "Lodging Selma"

RV

You may stay on Kingsburg Gun Club grounds if you are self contained. There are no hookups.

I will be on the grounds by noon of the 20th, and will have instructions for you then.

I hope to see you all there. Thank you for your continued service.

Sincerely,

Lt. Shawn Olague

209-827-0895

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1. Chili must be prepared from scratch; no commercial chili mixes are allowed. Powder or ground form of ingredient is okay.
2. List of ingredients must be provided with entry.
3. Contestants must be willing to eat their own chili.
4. Chili may be cooked ahead of time or cooked on site. Kitchen will be open at 4 PM on Friday, March 20th (limited time frame, 2 hours). Chili may be cooked or heated just prior to judging.
5. Chili may consist of no more than 50% fillers such as beans, pasta, or rice.
6. A minimum of two quarts of chili must be prepared

Each entry will receive a number. These numbers will identify the chilis until scoring is complete

Judging will begin at approximately 6:00 pm on Friday, March 20, 2009

Entries will be evaluated on the following:

Overall taste and flavor

Texture

Aroma

Use of wild game will add one point to the score

Ties will be broken by the “Best Name” of the child

My List of Ingredients

My Name _____

My Chili is called: _____

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